4. No objection by the land lord.

5. Requisite Estimate Charges should have been deposited.

6. Premises not wrongly declared.

7. There should not be any illegal shifting of the meter at site.

8. No discrepancy in the Agreement Form.

[*Translation*]

Employment To Handicapped

5361. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any scheme for providing employment to handicaps on priority basis in the Railways, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the names of department of the Railways where handicaps are appointed; and

(c) the total number of handicapped employees in the Railways?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) 3% of the Direct Recruitment vacancies in Group C & D cadres are reserved for employment of handicapped persons.

(b) In all departments of the Railways such persons are eligible to be appointed.

(c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

[*English*]

Expenditure on oil Exploration in West Champaran, Bihar

5362. SHRI MAHENDRA BAITHA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state the expenditure incurred so far on oil exploration in West Champaran district of Bihar?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHAN KUMAR) upto 31.3.1991, Rs. 47.to crores have been spent.

Upgradation of Power Stations of Bhakra Dam

5363. SHRI MUKUL BALKRISHNA WASNIK: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have entered into a deal with "Technopromexport" of the Soviet Union to upgrade the power sets at the right bank of the Bhakra Dam;

(b) if so, the details of the agreement;

(c) whether the Government have any plans to enter into a further agreement with "Technopromexport" to modernise the West-supplied left bank generators as well; and

(d) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b). The State Trading Corporation had been authorised to sign a contract for detailed project report and supply of equipment, spares and services with M/s Technopromexport, Moscow, USSR for uprating and modernisation of Bhakra right bank generating machines. Accordingly Contract No. 53051/12300 was signed on 25th July, 1991 by STC with M/s Technopromexport. The scheme is to be executed under Indo-Soviet Trade Plan and all payments to M/s Technopromexport will be made in Indian Rupees. The contract covers the price of DFR, price of equipment, spares & services, the time limit for prepara-

tion of DPR and delivery schedule of equipment and spares.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Bhakra Left Bank Generators have already been uprated from 5x90 MW to 5x100 MW during 1981-85 by Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd.

[*Translation*]

Private Calls in ITDC Hotels

5364. SHRI SATYA DEO SINGH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to fix some norms for restricting the number of private calls in the interest of economy in India Tourism Development Corporation (ITDC) hotels which are running in losses; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA: (a) and (b). Private telephone calls are not permissible to the employees from official phones in the hotel units of ITDC. However, ITDC's Corporate Office has issued instructions to all hotel units in February 1991, to effect economy in expenditure including official telephone calls.

Calls made by guests in the hotels are chargeable.

Rural Electrification in Sundargarh, Orissa

5365. KUMARI FARIDA TOPNO: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of electrified and unelectrified villages in Sundargarh district of Orissa; and

(b) the time by which the remaining villages are likely to be electrified?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) As per information available as on 31st March, 1991, there are 1363 electrified and 302 unelectrified villages in Sundargarh district of Orissa as per 1981 census.

(b) District-wise rural electrification activities are carried out by the State Electricity Board on the priority accorded by the State Government within the overall allocation for the State.

Modernisation of Balmer Lawrie Company Limited

5366. PROF. K.V. THOMAS: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the expansion and modernisation programme of Balmer Lawrie Company Limited at Adoor in Kerala in under consideration; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE(SHRI . S. KRISHAN KUMAR): (a) and (b). No such proposal is under consideration of the Government.

[*Translation*]

Agreement Between Bihar And West Bengal on Distribution of Power

5367. SHRI BHUVNESHWAR PRASAD MEHTA: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether an agreement for power